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## LAUT BROS.

### CHOICE FOODS FOR THE CHRISTMAS TABLE

Christmas is the great festival season of the year and the time when every housewife desires to present an appetizing table to her family and guests. We have choice foods gathered from all parts of the world to make your dinner a success. Our assortment awaits your choice.

#### Tasty Fresh Fruit:

You will want fruit and some you will want it good. That's the kind we sell. New Naval Oranges, thin skinned and juicy, per doz.

**30c and 40c**

Emperor Grapes, per lb. **25c**

Jap Oranges, per box **75c**

#### Choice Dinner Vegetables

If you want high grade vegetables for your Christmas table we can recommend nothing better than British Canadian brand, they are the best we can get.

Tomatoes, per tin **15c**

Pears or Corn, per tin **12½c**

Asparagus **30c**

Mushrooms **"** **20c**

#### Have You Made Your Christmas Cake Yet?

You haven't very much time left now, and we have all the ingredients at prices that will please you.

Choice Seeded Raisins, pkg. <b>12½c</b>	Select Valenca Raisins, lb. <b>15c</b>
California Seedless Raisins <b>12½c</b>	Cleaned Currants <b>17½c</b>
Bleached Sultanas <b>15c</b>	Hallowe Dates, pkg. <b>12½c</b>
Mixed Peel, per lb. <b>25c</b>	

#### New Season Nuts:

Nothing is better at the end of a good meal than good, fresh nuts.

Our assortment consists of Walnuts, Filberts, Brazil, Almonds, Pecans, mixed or singly at per lb.

**25c.**

Did you say you were short of Eggs for your Christmas Baking. Try a can of Holbrooks Egg Powder at **20c.**

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Wish to inform the Public that they have opened the corner shop next to Mrs. Stevens as the

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CHAS. HULTGREN, Crossfield

#### We Wish All Our Readers

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### Local and General :

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Bliss spent last week with friends in Calgary, taking in the fat stock show while there.

Mrs. W. H. Smith left Crossfield on Monday morning to spend the festive season with her parents at Coronation.

Church of the Ascension—On Sunday next, Dec. 26th, at 11 a.m. The Rev. J. P. Dingle will officiate at Morning Prayer and celebrate Holy Communion.

The public of Crossfield and district will be glad to know that the Agricultural Society is having a Masquerade Ball on New Year's Eve Dec. 26th. All availing themselves of the opportunity are assured of a good time. Prizes will be given as usual. Gents \$1.00.

L. V. Bliss purchased five pure bred Berkshire sows at the Calgary show last week, one of them taking 2nd prize in the bacon type.

We notice John Morrison gained another batch of prizes besides those published last week, with his poultry at the Calgary show. Having secured in the Silver Campine variety: cock 1st and 2nd, hen 1st and 2nd, cockerel 1st, 2nd and 3rd; pullet 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McRory left Crossfield on Thursday evening last on a round of visits during the Christmas holidays. They will take in Moose Jaw, Regina, Souris and Winnipeg. E. S. expects to resume duties on January 2nd.

A meeting will be held at Inverlea Schoolhouse, on Wednesday, Dec. 29th, for the purpose of deciding as to whether Inverlea shall have a Hockey club and a place to skate this winter. Everybody come.

Mr. W. Bradley has been laid up with a cold for a few days, but is now able to be around again he hopes to be in a position to open his blacksmith shop in the course of a day or two. He went to Calgary on a business trip on Wednesday. Many of his old acquaintances have seen him and are pleased to renew their friendship.

Dr. M. Mecklenburg, Opticians and Expert Eye Specialist, will again pay a visit to Carstairs, on Friday, Dec. 31st, and Airdrie on Tuesday, Jan. 4th, 1916.

Mrs. Mossop and children journey to Calgary on Wednesday.

Mrs. Capes wishes to inform her friends and patrons that she has removed to the old Jessiman house (east of the Fire Hall). Where she will be pleased to receive any work you may require.

Farmers Insure your Buildings in the Wawanesa Mutual Fire Insurance Co. A Company of the Farmers and for the Farmers only. Costs only about 35 cents a year for \$100 Insurance.

Chas. Hultgren, Agent.



## W. McRory & Sons

WISH ALL

THEIR PATRONS & FRIENDS

A Merry Christmas  
AND  
A Happy and  
Prosperous  
New Year.

## CROSSFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION U.F.A.

THIS SPACE is retained for the use of Members of U.F.A. to Advertise anything they may want to Sell, have to Buy or Exchange.

It is hoped that liberal patronage will be given this space, and listings not later than Tuesday evening of each week handed to the Editor or A. A. Hall, Secretary.

Wanted to Purchase.—Root Pulper for Cash. Levi Bone.

Lost.—1 white faced Steer, coming 2 years old, branded F. N. on left ribs. Strayed from sec. 36, 28, R 2, w 5.—W. J. Wilson.

For Sale, or to trade for Stock.—One Cushman Engine 4-h.p., also one Chatham Incubator, 200 egg.—L. V. Bliss.

For Sale.—One Mare and one Gelding, aged 5 and 6, weight 3,000. E. J. Kenzler, W. B. Edward's Farm.

Wanted to Buy a cheap Quarter or Half Section of Land. Improved or unimproved. Apply P.O. Box 22.

For Sale.—Young high grade Shorthorn Cows and Heifers, in-calf. Also some registered Bulls rising one year. Buff Orpington Cockrels. E. Richards.

Lost.—One small Black Boar Pig about 7 weeks old. H. Sievert.

For Sale.—Some Young Pedigree Berkshire Sows. G. T. Jones.

Wanted to Buy, some Calves. Thos. Fitzgerald.

All those who have any Stock of any kind, or Machinery to Sell at the Auction to be held in town on Jan. 8th, will kindly list it with us by the end of the month.

Free to Members of U.F.A.  
A. A. HALL, Secretary.

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Everybody a  
Merry Xmas

AND A

Prosperous New Year.

H. R. ARNOLD,  
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**Red Cross Notes.**

The Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks the following donations and work:

From Abernethy district \$100.00

  Mrs. E. McCool and family   14.00

  Inveries Tea   1.30

  Floral   2.15

  Mr. Reese Jones   2.00

(membership fee)

Crossfield School Xmas

  donation; Primary 1.00

  Intermediate 1.00

  Senior 2.00

Floral Sewing Circle: 1 ice bag,

19 T bandages 3 M-T bandages,

3 P.P. bags, 1 suit pyjamas, Mrs. Jas. Robertson, 3 pairs socks,

Bill, 11 pair socks, 2 day shirts.

Mrs. W. McIlroy, 2 pair socks, Miss Allie Fenwick, 1 pair socks, Mrs. Conrad, 1 pair socks,

Vasevoss, 1 pair socks.

Misses P. and D. Leonard, 2 doz. handks, 3 M-T bandages, 17 T bandages, 7 washrags.

Mrs. Muller, 2 M-T bandages, 10 T bandages, 10 washrags, 8 handks.

Mrs. Tufford, 1 doz. handks.

Miss Sheppard, 2 T bandages.

Mrs. Benedict, 19 handks.

Intermediate Room, Crossfield School: 20 washrags, 52 handks, Primary Room, 53 handks, Inveries School, 6 handks.

Sewing Circle: 34 T bandages, 4 M-T bandages.

The Abernethy Fund of \$100 was forwarded to Miss Pinkham this week.

A splendid shipment of Red Cross supplies was forwarded to the Red Cross Depot at Calgary, Saturday, Dec. 18th.

The shipment consisted of 23 day shirts, 23 surgical, 12 suits pyjamas, 137 M-T bandages, 356 T bandages, 27 pairs socks, 1 pair wristlets, 1 muffler, 2 cholera belts, 85 washrags, 2 night shirts, 409 handks, 5 personal property bags, 2 hot water wringers, 5 ice bags. Total 1,089 articles.

This shipment is the combined work of the Sewing Circles at Crossfield, Elba, Floral, Inveries and Kersey.

**"Irish"**

A week or two ago a gentleman who was accompanied by two ladies was visiting a wounded friend in a Red Cross Hospital in Elba. They were staying with us. When they arrived there were several patients in bed, we had not been there long when in came a soldier. We could see he was desirous of getting to bed, and after a short time he took off his coat and puttees and provided himself with a screen, behind which he made himself comfortable in the chair.

A few minutes afterwards in came the nurse, and after speaking to the patient with whom we were, she turned round and noticed the screen round the other bed.

Now this man was native of Erin's Isle, and the nurse charge of the now peacefully settled country in the round room?

"What are you doing with this round room?"

"I'm fit them while I get into bed. Come in & see there's lots in the room?"

"And where did you sit it from?"

"It's off the most comfortable chair."

"Then what did you put it back?"

And she shut it up with a bang and marched away, amidst the roar of all the spectators.

**Announcement.**

Gospel Meetings are being held on Sundays, at 3 p.m., at the residence of C. Hultgren, and on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., p.m., at Mr. Jas. Smart's place, 3 miles south of Crossfield. A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these meetings. We will welcome the co-operation of all interested in the extension of God's Kingdom. Subjects such as "How God intended to man and woman" and "plan of salvation and how to live it." Jesus Christ the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever, is it for today? if so what is the meaning of it?" COME, AND BRING OTHERS. C. HULTGREN.

**Local and General News**

Mrs. Birch went to Calgary on Wednesday afternoon on a visit to her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Purvis took a trip to Calgary on Wednesday in their Ford car.

Mr. W. Stafford left Crossfield on Sunday last for the east, where he intends spending the Christmas holidays.

The Old Country Britishers Third Annual Dinner will take place on Friday, January 7th, 1916. Owing to the fact that so many have joined the forces we hope everyone will make an effort to be present as the proceeds are to be devoted to war funds. The dinner will be held at the Alberto Hotel at 7:30.

The Christmas Concert took place at the Rodney Schoolhouse on Wednesday evening given by the school children. The programme consisted of action songs, recitations, choruses, etc. About 30 pieces in all. The programme was very well rendered throughout and great credit is due to the teacher for the efforts put forth.

Halliday and Co. expect to move into their new quarters (the store building formerly occupied by Mr. Wiggins) next Tuesday. The store has been renovated and painted, and presents a very fine appearance, besides the shelving capacity has been increased fully fifty per cent.

Another motor accident occurred last week end, as Mr. R. Peecock and three friends were travelling in the car in the Beaver Dam district the car ran over a bank and dropped down a good distance. Luckily the car landed in an upright position and the inmates escaped without any serious injury. The car, however, sustained some damage, including a broken front axle and back wheel.

A concert given by the children of the Crossfield and district schools took place on Tuesday evening in Union Church. There was a fairly good and appreciative audience. The programme included songs, recitations, action songs, etc. Mr. Berry, who was the chairman explained the objects of the concert and appealed on behalf of the children. The children had made a good response to the appeal for goods, etc., that might be sent to the Salvation Army Homes in Calgary. The concert was brought to a close by the singing of "Oh, Canada," and the National anthem.

John Nier was brought before Mr. Justice Walsh on Thursday morning for sentence. The court at its recent sitting having upheld the conviction on each. His lordship lectured Nier some length, and allowed him out on his own recognizances in the sum of \$2,000, to be of good behaviour for a period of three years.

For Sale—Full size Bed, bevel plate mirror in front, just the thing for small home. Takes up no more room than a dresser. —See A. A. Halliday.

**Tit-For-Tat**

A number of soldiers were lined up on the parade ground for physical drill. Among us was a new recruit, who was very round shouldered. The instructor sergeant-major, whom we all laugh at (as he is quite bald-headed), said to the new recruit "What will you give me if I get that hump off your back?"

The new recruit never moved a muscle, but answered him with "Something to make your hair grow!"

You can guess there were not many straight faces in the ranks for a long while after. Anyway he got off with a caution, but it tickled us for many a day after.

**Empire Defenders.**

We print below a list of the men from the Crossfield district who have joined the ranks of our Empire Defenders.

Should any names have been omitted and any of our readers be able to supply us with the same we should be glad to include same.

Lieut. Col. J. L. Jones, 10th Batt.

W. G. R. Mundell, Princess Pats., Killed in Action.

Charles Thomas, 9th, Band.

C. J. Urquhart, 12th Mounted Rifles.

John Chesser,   "   "

John   "   "

W. H. Burton,   "   "

M. Lewis,   "   "

B. Lewis,   "   "

D. Lewis,   "   "

Robt. Salter, 31st Batt.

Jerry Fuller,   "   "

Cyril Fuller,   "   "

John Currier,   "   "

L. L. Brown,   "   "

M. L. Boyle,   "   "

Clyde Cook, 56th Batt.

Frank Lawrie, 52nd Batt.

John Galbraith, 52nd Batt.

S. J. Hunter,   "   "

R. M. Donald,   "   "

H. G. Williams, 51st Batt.

W. C. Clark,   "   "

Harry Fenwick, 56th Batt.

George Collins,   "   "

Charles Collins,   "   "

R. Landshurg,   "   "

Fred Blake,   "   "

J. H. Atkinson, Medical Corps.

Jas. H. Whittfield, 52nd Batt.

A. Fraser, 4th Field Co. Engineers

A. R. V. Dyke, Gunner

Charlie Knight, 31st Batt.

David Grant,   "   "

Harry Onslow,   "   "

G. G. Marshall, 82nd Batt.

Bert Woldose,   "   "

Jas. Moss,   "   "

L. G. Fisher,   "   "

J. C. O'Neil, 51st Batt.

S. Dawson, 56th Batt.

Douglas Hall, 56th Batt.

W. H. Halliday, 56th Batt.

James H. Whitfield, 52nd Batt.

Bruce Knox, 56th Batt.

R. H. McRae, 13th Mounted Rifles

A. J. Williams, 51st Batt.

Walter Goodland, 56th Batt. Corporal.

Jesse Fike, 56th Batt.

J. E. Eykloch, 56th Batt.

J. C. Williams, 56th Batt.

Frank R. Parker, Senr.

W. B. Edward, 56th Batt.

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**Council Meetings**

The council of the Village of Crossfield will meet at the Fire Hall on the first Monday of each month, commencing with February at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

By Order of the Village Council

51-52                   W. McRoy, Sec.-Treas.

**Lost.**

Lost a POCKET BOOK, containing Dollar Bills and other Papers. Finder will be suitably rewarded on returning same to Chronicle Office.

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Apply to Wm. Keil, Crossfield.

**Found.**

Found in Crossfield a Horsecolth owner can have same by applying at Chronicle office and paying for this ad.

**Estray Notices.**

Came to the farm of E. Custead, Airdrie, N.W. Sec. 20, tp. 27, R. 28, w. 4, one small Dark Red Heifer, 2½ years old. Branded on right rib.

G. McLeod, Brand Reader.

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## The Mystery of the Ravenspurs

By Fred M. White

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(Continued)

"In what way?" Geoffrey asked.  
"In the way of having a free hand," Tchigorsky said, and with a smile the prince will be able to free her allies. I shall be able to ransack her private papers for any thing."

Geoffrey nodded. He began to see the force of Tchigorsky's clever scheme. And then the cold breath of the house struck him. A moment later he was all alone, stumbled over the body of a woman.

"Woman?" Ravenspur cried. "Impossible."

"I suppose you can do no more to-night?" he asked.

"I am not so sure of that," Tchigorsky said dryly. "Meanwhile I am safe. You will not be able to find me hidden in Ralph's bedroom for the present and smoke his tobacco. Do you want anything?"

"Yes, I want to believe the minds of my friends," said Geoffrey.

"That of course," Tchigorsky responded. "Go on. You were picked up by a passing boat or yacht, that landed you at Manby. You walked back and when you got home to change clothes, you found your place deserted. Don't say anything as to Mrs. May. Your Uncle Ralph will have that story to tell when you return. You have not to know anything about Mrs. May."

"All right," Geoffrey said cheerfully.

"Now, what is that?" he asked, looking down at the girl.

He made his way down the cliffs unseen. There were lanterns flitting about the shore; he could see the shadow of a white dress and Vera by her side. He came gently along, side them.

"Vera," he said. "What is all this about?"

Vera turned and gave a cry. She was acting her part as well as possible, and the cry seemed genuine. But the girl's intense distress was of thankfulness that the sufferings of those dear to her were ended. She clung to her lover; her lips pressed him.

Maron stood there while and still as a statue. The girl seemed to be freed from her touch, thawed her life again.

"Geoffrey!" she screamed. "Geoffrey! Thank God, thank God! Never again."

With another scream that rang high and clear, the girl fell unconscious at his feet. Her hair was laid out tenderly as the others came running.

There was a babel of confused cries, hoarse cheers, and yells of delight. The people crowded around, some on the sands. Scores of men pressed eagerly round to shake Geoffrey's hand.

"I was picked up by a yacht," he said. "Of course I know there was a row. I know all about the boat. I saw the sawn-off gun. You may rest assured I took no more care another time. And I was."

Geoffrey was going to say that he had been married, but he stopped himself in time. His progress towards home was more or less a royal one. It touched him to see how glad people were. He had not imagined a popularity like this.

Vera clung fondly to his arm; Rufus had picked up his hat and coat from the other side. Not once had the old man shown the slightest sign of breaking down, but he came perilously near it.

"What does it matter?" she said. "I don't care if you're the woman, but she is marvellous. Maron, where are your tender feelings?"

Marion said nothing. But she came forward and took the hand of Geoffrey, glancing at Marion's right white face wonderingly at what it all meant.

"I am going to give you all some wine," said Geoffrey. "You will be pleased to let me discuss my nature any more. Let us drop the subject."

Ralph stood in, feeling his way into the room. He let me discuss my nature any more. Let us drop the subject."

"I also have had my adventures," he concluded.

"How is the castle all right?" Ravenspur observed.

"The same idea occurred to me," Ralph went on. "One so absurd as that would not be likely to serve on the beach, so I came back to the castle. It occurred to me as possible that our enemy would take advantage of the woman's being captured. So I passed the time wandering about the corridors."

At the same time I heard a violent commotion and screaming outside Geoffrey's room. I got to the spot as soon as possible, but when I arrived the woman had stumbled over the body of a woman."

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"In the least," Ralph said coolly. "I picked her up, she was unconscious. My medical knowledge, picked up in the past, told me that the woman was suffering from some physical shock. That she was not in any danger her steady pulse told me. I carried her on the bed in the blue room."

"And there she is now?" Marion exclaimed.

"As far as I know," Ralph replied. "What she was doing here I haven't the slightest idea."

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"When I engaged you, Martha," she said, "I told you that you would be a friend. Now whenever I come into the kitchen I find the same man here."

"Bless yo' ma'am," smiled Martha. "dat niggar ain't no frien' ob mine."

"No friend? Then who is he?"

"He's my husband."

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"They seem to be doing well where he is," remarked one presently.

"I'll not stop long at that job," replied the other, with a gloomy shake of the head.

"Why not? He seems to be comfortable."

"But I'm not staying there a month," said the man, and I've said it since he got that job eighteen months ago."

Chicago News.

She Phyllis Featherweight is going to the show.

He Well, I am glad that she'll at last get beneath the surface of something.

ed. "Done from the vaults under the stairs downstairs. The servants sleep very close to here. It is difficult to tell how they manage to sleep without having been seen. They have asserted that an accident has happened to their master, and have removed some of the conspiracy. But for the present we cannot remove their mistress."

Tchigorsky chuckled as he spoke.

(To be Continued)

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**Christmastide.**

Once more we are on the eve of what ought to be the happiest day of the year, and yet for many of us it will be only the culmination of a period of worries, heartburnings and unattained hopes. Is it necessary that we do this?

Consider the Christmases that are past. Are any of them sweeter to remember than those of your childhood? And is it the quantity or the value of the gifts you received that made them dear? On the wonderful morning that you remember so well, there may have been some simple toy and homemade candy, an orange or pair of mitts and a doll. Perhaps if you were a boy, there was a knife or a sleigh; or if you were getting into young girlhood, a little traveling toilet case or a small piece of jewelry or a workbox. There was nothing very elaborate or expensive.

Your happiness was owing not to the events of the day, but to the spirit of it; to the rosy light of imagination that lay upon you, and the feeling of mystery that lifted the day to a height above all others; the mystery of a benign presence that had been working to make you happy and, unseen and unheard had entered the house in the night to leave its tokens of an unselfish love.

In the story of the wise men who came out of the East, we read: "And when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts." It does not say that they gave themselves up to repining over what they could not bestow or went about searching anxiously for something they did not possess, but only that from their treasures—the things that they had—they gave simply and with love. And the world has called them wise.

The old fashioned Christmas, the best that the world has ever known—the only true Christmas—goes back more than nineteen hundred years, to Bethlehem of Judea. Let us restore and keep the spirit of it.

**The Present Condition  
of the Canadian  
Egg Market**

For the first time in a number of years eggs have taken a prominent place in Canada's export trade. This is largely due to the unprecedented demand to date on the part of the British market and the fact that British dealers have shown a marked preference for Canadian eggs over United States eggs and a willingness to pay a distinctly higher price for them.

Great in fact has been the demand that Canadian dealers have shipped practically all of the available Canadian storage product to the old country. As a result there is in Canada at the present time sufficient eggs in storage to supply home consumption until fresh supplies appreciable quantities begin to come in.

Quantities of eggs from the United States however, are being imported into Canada, some in bond for export, but the larger part to take the place of the Canadian product exported. On account of the keen demand for Canadian eggs above mentioned, United States eggs can be laid down in Canada at the present time, at several cents per dozen more than the price at which Canadian eggs are selling for export and they should be procurable by the consumer according to.

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# Fight or Pay--

## What Did You Do--

to help the Empire's cause last year? Were you satisfied with yourself? Did you not afterwards think you could have done more? Don't you think you can do more this year?

## There's Another Fellow--

who would go if he were sure his wife and children would be looked after in his absence. Help to send him by subscribing liberally to the Patriotic Fund when they call upon you to do so.

On the other hand the Canadian market at the present time for Canadian "Specials" (new laid) the production of which is not enough in most instances to supply the demand at local country markets. This means that high prices will have to be paid in consuming centres in order to draw a portion of these supplies from local points. Producers may therefore definitely expect reasonably high prices during the period of low production for fresh gathered eggs that will grade "Specials."

The question has been raised as to whether the phenomenal demand on the part of the British market for Canadian eggs will continue. This depends entirely upon the quality of Canadian eggs exported. Canada has tremendous possibilities as an egg producing country. The poultry industry is at present but a mere fraction of what it might be. It remains, therefore, for those most interested in the development of this trade to make the best possible use of their present opportunities, and by constant supervision of the quality of Canadian eggs going forward to pave the way for an extensive and profitable export trade in them.

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## Limp and Empty Stockings

Christmastide should not be cheerless for any boy or girl in this Christian land. Many people could recall the bitter disappointment brought on Christmas morning with the chilling effect it had upon the heart. If such have come to enjoy a comfortable income, they should not forget the poor at this season of good cheer.

In our midst may be children whose stockings will hang limp and empty on Christmas morning unless some kind neighbor remembers them and remembers the sting of poverty at this season of gifts and gladness. The cup of cold water given in Christ's name, entitling the giver to distinction among the saints includes the thoughtful provision for some poor child's joy on Christmas morn. The opportunity for bringing good cheer to some desolate home is yours now. Improve it and it will bring you joy.

## BIRTH.

On the 20th inst., at Calgary, to Mr. and Mrs. George Huser, Jr., of Crossfield, a daughter.

## Lost, Strayed or Stolen.

From pasture on the old Manasseh Weber Farm, west of Didsbury, BAY MALE and FOAL; BLACK GELDING, straight forehand; Four young BAYS; all but the colt are branded (acorn) on right hind. Reward will be given for information leading to the recovery sent to Mr. FRED MOYLE, Didsbury.

## SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may instead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Sub-Agency or the Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Office (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live with nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres under certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is required in the village.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

For each acre so pre-empted, a homesteader may take a purchased homestead right to certain lands in each of three years after entry has been made; also 50 acres extra cultivation.

Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as a homestead patent, on certain conditions.

A holder who has exhausted his home site right may take a purchased homestead right to certain lands in each of three years after entry has been made.

Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 60 acres and erect a house worth \$300.00.

An area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, stony or scrubby land. Live stock may be registered for cultivation under certain conditions.

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Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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